

Non-working of Outstation Cell Phones

181. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the MTNL employees are not happy with the management;
- (b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;
- (c) is it a fact that STD facilities were disturbed during the third week of June 2000, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the reasons for outstation cell phones not working during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) and (b) The Group 'C' and 'D' employees of MTNL are agitating for sometime to finalise their pay scales and perks consequent to their absorption.

- (c) and (d) Detailed information is being collected.

Appointment of Additional departmental Distribution Agents

†182. SHRI RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the decision of the Central Administrative Tribunal regarding the appointment of Additional Departmental Distribution Agent in Ahdhauthari Post Office at the Madhubani District of Bihar along with the time frame for implementing the same;
- (b) whether the said decision have been implemented within the time frame;
- (c) if not, the officer responsible for the same and the action being taken against him by the department; and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government for the speedy implementation of the decision of the Central Administrative Tribunal in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) to (d) The CAT Patna Bench decision about reinstatement of Shri Ram Kripal Chaudhary, the applicant in O.A. No. 528/94 Vs. UOI & Others to be implemented within one month from the date of communication of their order dated 4.10.1999, was received when copy of it